Remarks

In the email communication of August 23, 2010, and the Office Action mailed on August 25, 2010, the Examiner required cancellation of claim 20, in order to place the claims in condition for allowance.

Status of the claims

Claim 1 has been amended to remove deletion of the period at the end of the claim.

Original claims 2-5 were previously amended.

Original claims 6 and 7 were previously cancelled.

New claims 8, 10, and 15 was previously cancelled.

New claim 20 has been cancelled as requested by the Examiner.

The Examiner also required a Supplemental declaration by the applicants, to be filed in view of cancelled claim 20. A Supplemental declaration (form PTO/SB/51S) is enclosed.

Applicants believe that the outstanding issues have been adequately addressed in this response and should place the claims in condition for allowance.

U.S.S.N. 10/782,750 Filed: February 19, 2004 AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Allowance of claims 1-5, 8, 11-14, and 18-19, is earnestly solicited.

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